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the stem *Fut*, pointing to such analogous formations as *guč-i-hi*, *ginč-i-hi*, *sol-o-hi*, *tarb-a-hi*, *tarb-i-hi*. This explanation is quite satisfactory.

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## PERSONALIA

Professor JOHN WILLIAMS WHITE, of Harvard University, died May 9, 1917. He was professor of Greek at Harvard from 1884 to 1909, and was one of the founders of the American School at Athens. He became a member of the American Oriental Society in 1877.

MORTON WILLIAM EASTON, Ph.D., Emeritus Professor of English and Comparative Philology at the University of Pennsylvania, died Aug. 21, 1917. He was born in 1841 in Hartford, Conn., and completed the course in medicine at Columbia in 1865, but returned to philology, taking his degree in Sanskrit at Yale.

He was called to the classical chair at the University of Tennessee in 1873, and came to the University of Pennsylvania in 1880. His subjects ranged from Sanskrit to English, in all of which he was a profound student and a most distinguished teacher. He directed the presentation of the first Greek comedy to be given in this country, the *Acharnians*, presented in 1886 by students of the University of Pennsylvania.